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SUBJ: SRV DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER'S VISIT TO AFGHANISTAN

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1. DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM (SRV) PHAN HIEN ARRIVED KABUL ON HIS GOOD WILL TOUR OF SOUTH ASIAN COUNTRIES FEBRUARY 22 AND DEPARTED MORNING OF FEBRUARY 24 FOR MOSCOW. HE WAS MET ON ARRIVAL BY AFGHAN DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER WAHEED ABDULLAH. ON FEBRUARY 23 HE MET WITH PRESIDENT DAOUD AND PRESENTED SRV PRESIDENT'S CONGRATULATIONS ON DAOUD'S RECENT ELECTION AND A "SPECIAL MESSAGE". PHAN HIEN VISIT WAS GIVEN FRONT PAGE BUT STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

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PROTOCOLARY TREATMENT IN AFGHAN MEDIA. CONTENT OF SPECIAL MESSAGE WAS NOT REVEALED NOR WAS SUBJECT OF TALKS DESCRIBED BEYOND ARE MENTION OF "EXCHANGE OF VIEWS".

2. MOHAMMAD JAHANGIRI, FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR SOUTH AND SOUTHEAST ASIAN COUNTRIES, STATED THAT PHAN HIEN WAS HOSTED AT SMALL,

STRICTLY BILATERAL AFFAIR AT FOREIGN MINISTRY.
PHAN HIEN ALSO ATTENDED SOVIET MILITARY DAY RECEPTION
WHICH COINCIDED WITH TIMING OF HIS VISIT.
WHILE CHARACTERIZING IT AS PRIMARILY A GOOD WILL
VISIT. JAHANGIRI CONFIDED SUBSTANTIVE REMARK THAT PHAN HIEN
APPEARED TO CONSIDER THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH EAST ASIAN
NATIONS (ASEAN) BASICALLY AS A MILITARY GROUPING AND SPOKE
AGAINST IT TO AFGHANS. JAHANGIREI ALSO RECEIVED IMPRESSION
THAT RATHER THAN BEING INTERESTED IN FOMENTING INSURGENT
MOVEMENTS AND TROUBLE WITH NEIGHBORS SRV WAS A POOR
NATION IN GENUINE SEARCH OF ASSISTANCE.

3. PRC AMBASSADOR TO KABUL MENTIONED TO EMBOFF
AT SOCIAL OCCASION THAT SRV DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER
WOULD ALSO VISIT PEKING BEFORE RETURNING HOME.

4. COMMENT: WHILE AJRUPBEBIFOCYUULQ 4; 3,;96
09)853)6, THEY DID NOT APPEAR TO CONSIDER THE
VISIT OF MUCH IMPORTANCE - BEYOND DEMONSTRATING GOOD
WILL. DURING THE CONFLICT THE GOVERNMENT
OF AFGHANISTAN RECOGNIZED BOTH HANOI AND THE
"PRG", AND SRV AMBASSADOR TO MOSCOW IS ALSO
ACCREDITED TO KABUL. OUTSIDE OF AFGHANISTAN'S
NON-ALIGNED CREDENTIALS, HOWEVER, SRV IS MARGINAL
TO AFGHAN FOREIGN POLICY INTERESTS.
WHILE WE HAVE NO INFORMATION ON SPECIAL MESSAGE
FROM SRV PRESIDENT, IT IS NOT UNLIKELY THAT IT
CONCERNS UPCOMING NON-ALIGNED COORDINATING COMMITTEE
MEETING IN NEW DELHI. AFGHANS WILL PROBABLY SEND
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AN OBSERVER DELEGATION SINCE THEY TAKE OVER BANGLADESH'S
SEAT ON THE COMMITTEE IN EARLY 1978.
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